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Via ECF

Honorable Renée Marie Bumb, U.S.D.J.
United States District Court of New Jersey
Mitchell H. Cohen U.S. Courthouse
1 John F. Gerry Plaza, Room 2040
Camden, NJ 08102-2040

**Re: The Colby Restaurant Group, Inc., et al. v. Utica National Insurance Group, et al.,
Civil Action No. 1:20-cv-05927-RMB-KMW**

Dear Judge Bumb:

We represent Defendants in the above-referenced matter. On August 14, 2020, pursuant to this Court's June 10, 2020 Order (Dkt. # 8), Plaintiffs advised the Court that the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation denied transfer of this case. (Dkt. # 11). Defendants join in Plaintiffs' request that the Court lift the stay. In addition, for the reasons set forth in Defendants' pre-motion letter (Dkt. # 3), we respectfully request a pre-motion conference at the Court's earliest convenience, or alternatively, permit Defendants to file a motion to dismiss pursuant to Rule 12(b)(6), for the October 5, 2020 motion day.

Respectfully submitted,

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/s Susan M. Leming
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cc: All counsel of record (via ECF)